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PART I-A

CENTRAL SECTION

**Orders and Notifications (Other than those published in Part IV-B)
under the Gujarat Local Boards, Village Panchayats, Municipal
Boroughs, District Municipal, Primary Education and Local Fund Audit Acts.
PANCHAYAT, RURAL HOUSING AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

NOTIFICATION

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, 1st January, 2021.

GUJARAT PANCHAYATS ACT, 1993.

No:- KP- 1 of 2021-ELC-102017-3785-G:- WHEREAS, the Government of Gujarat is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action to amend Gujarat Panchayat Election Rules, 1994 and to dispense with the previous publication thereof under the proviso to sub-section (5) of section 274 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993);

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 274 read with sub-section (2) of section 15 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993), the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Gujarat Panchayat Elections Rules, 1994;

1. These rules may be called the Gujarat Panchayat Elections (Amendment) Rules, 2021.
2. In the Gujarat Panchayat Elections Rules, 1994 rules after rule 12, the following shall be inserted, :-

“12(A). Online filing of nomination papers: -

- (1) Every candidate shall file online nomination papers as directed by the State Election Commission.
- (2) The nomination papers not filed in accordance with the directions of the State Election Commission shall not be considered.
- (3) The decision of the State Election Commission, as to whether the nomination shall be filed online, shall be final.
- (4) The technical arrangements for online filing of nomination papers shall be made by the State Election Commission.”

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

ASHISH VALA,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

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